

Sunday, March 3, 2024 Third Sunday of Lent

Worship Service — 10 am

Worship Leader — Marla Dault Speaker — Chris Hutton

With voice and heart we worship God together at NLUMC. We strive to be a welcoming community who live our faith in active and practical ways of discipleship and service.

Order of Worship Christ Among Us

Announcements

Welcome

Call to worship

Opening — VT #76, Holy, Holy, Holy

Children's time

Bell ringers — Shine, Jesus, Shine

Prayer of confession

Offering with VT #420, God of the Bible

Scripture reading — Exodus 20:1-17

Message — Christ Among Us: Becoming Free to Rest

VT #419, Great is Thy Faithfulness

Sharing and prayer

Closing — VT #793, Siyahamba (3x - African, English, African)

Benediction

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the worship service.

Church Life ...

- ♦ Fourth Sunday of Lent, March 10, join us for worship with Judy Cornies leading worship and Paul Cornies bringing the message.
- ♦ It's Board Games Week at Home Church! Looking to enjoy some board games with friends to break up the week? There are two opportunities this week at NLUMC:
- 1) **Marshwoods Home Church** will host a Board Games Night here at the church this **Wednesday, March 6** starting at 6:30 pm.

- 2) **Cherokee Home Church** will meet for some board games at Baklava Luxe on 69 Talbot St. E. Unit 1 in Leamington starting at 6:30 pm on **Thursday, March 7.** Feel free to invite a friend! All ages welcome!
- ♦ Community Building Team News. Pizza Night is the second Friday of each month at the Roma Club, Leamington. Bring your family everyone orders and pays for their own pizza and drink. Friday, March 8 will be the next gathering. Doors open 6 10 pm. Come as you are available.
- ♦ Paska for the Food Bank. NLUMC is doing a Paska fundraiser again this year and we are looking for Paska bakers to make a few extra Paska for Palm Sunday, March 24. Please contact Joanne Brown by text or phone (519) 817-5929 or email jclifbrown@gmail.com if you are able to bake Paska. We are suggesting the Salvation Army Food Bank for this fundraiser.
- ♦ Coldest Night of the Year. Thanks to everyone who participated and contributed to the Coldest Night of the Year fundraising walk on Saturday, February 24. We exceeded our goal, thanks to you! The NLUMC CNOY Team of 12 walkers and 18 contributors raised \$1,230! It was great to see NLUMC folks on other community teams (Kindred Credit Union, Gleaners and UMEI)!! The Leamington Community Hope Centre will benefit from \$120,633 raised by local teams, individuals and corporate contributors. Donated funds will provide meals to 80 people every day for over a year! Thanks so much!!

♦ Donations to NLUMC

- ► Have you considered increasing your automatic transfer donation amount?
- ► Your donations to NLUMC can also be offered through Abundance Canada if your family is setting up a Gifting Fund through charitable stocks and bonds in-kind. Visit https://abundance.ca
- ► Donations are accepted by:
 - 1) Automatic transfers contact Susan
 - 2) E-transfer email treasurer@nlumc.com include member # in message
 - 3) Offering on Sunday morning

Contact Susan Klassen, office@nlumc.com; or Brenda Klassen, treasurer@nlumc.com

Community/Conference Events . . .

♦ Essex Kent Mennonite Historical Association News

Friday, March 8: Video presentation: *Those Who Remained during the Stalin Era.* All events at the Heritage Centre at 7 pm. Everyone Welcome. Admission by donation.

♦ Leamington Mennonite Home News

- ▶ Our Home continues to be thankful for the donations received from the supporting congregations each year. This year we will be putting these donations towards the refurbishment of the Pickwick Apartment building originally built in 1979. Over the past couple of years, we've been renovating apartments and refurbishing the entire building as funds allow. We look forward to keeping this project going with the generous donations from our supporting churches, which will be used for new LED lighting, painting, and flooring in the hallways. Thank you!
- ▶ The LMH Annual Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 7 at 7 pm in the Heritage Centre Auditorium at 29 Pickwick Drive. Please RSVP to the front office at 519-329-2737.
- ▶ We will be having a **Pasta & Pizza Night Open House** as our Spring Fundraiser on **Wednesday, May 8** at the Leamington Roma Club. Dinner will be available from 4:30-7:30 pm with live music throughout the evening. Tickets must be purchased ahead of time from the front office with cash, cheque, or credit card with a cut-off date of Monday, April 22. Ticket prices are \$50/person, \$25 for ages 5-12, and ages 4 and under are free! We will also be selling raffle tickets until May 8. The prize is four tickets to the May 25 Detroit Tigers/Toronto Blue Jays game at Comerica Park. Raffle tickets are \$20 each.

♦ UMEI Christian High School News

- ► UMEI Summer Camp Registrations are open! Register at https://umei.ca/camps/ today for one of our exciting summer camps (limited spots are available).
 - Senior Robotics Camp (Grades 7 & 8) July 8 July 12
 - **Junior Robotics Camp** (Grades 4 − 6) July 15 − 19
 - Music Moves Kids Musical Theatre Camp (Grades 4 8) July 22 27
 - Camp ExploreU (Grades 3 6) July 29 August 2
- ► Save the date! Our Student Trips Fundraising Pasta Lunch is happening on Sunday, March 24! Join us for a delicious pasta meal, silent auction, and performance by the UMEI Choir.

♦ Employment Opportunities

- ► The **Leamington Mennonite Home** is seeking qualified candidates for the position of **Chief Financial Officer.** Interested and qualified candidates should submit their application to Human Resources Specialist, Jacquie Turnbull (<u>jacquie@mennonitehome.ca</u>). A full job description for review can be requested by contacting Jacquie Turnbull.
- ► Faith Mennonite Church is looking for an Administrative Assistant. Ten hours a week. Advanced computer, video editing, financial and organizational skills required. Begin May 1. If interested, contact Art Krueger, 519-398-8384 or forazekrueger.ak@gmail.com.

Thought for the Day

"Remember to observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
You have six days each week for your ordinary work,
but the seventh day is a Sabbath day of rest
dedicated to the LORD your God."... Exodus 20:8-10a

Prayer List . . .

Neighbouring Congregation — Today, in our cycle of prayer, area churches are remembering **Salvation Army Community Church** and their pastor Judi Wickens.

Each week MCEC, Mennonite Church Eastern Canada, prays for one of our congregations. This week we are praying for First Mennonite Church in Kitchener, Ontario.

To view more information from MCEC go to News & Events - Mennonite Church Eastern Canada (mcec.ca)

Missions — see Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) for giving opportunities, <u>www.mcc.org</u>

Connect . . .

- Check out our church website at <u>nlumc.com</u>, including YouTube videos of our past services.
- Watch our Sunday morning service via YouTube livestream at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCdn1sLuXDZYqHsEyd92k0g/featured
- Get updates on our ministries by joining our Facebook group.
- See photos of what we are doing on our Instagram page.
- Contact the church office, pastor or Council members for information.

Care . . .

If you are aware of any crises needs or visitation needs within our community of faith, please contact the church office or Pastor Chris, 519-613-1971, at this time.

Contacts . . .

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